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MINISTRY OF INTERNATIONAL TRADE

PUBLIC NOTICE

IMPORT TRADE CONTROL

New Delhi, the 5th March, 1964

SUBJECT.—Import of 'Fruits' of all sorts excluding coconuts and cashewnuts, fresh, dried, salted or preserved, n.o.s. and excluding dates [S. No. 21 (a)/IV], Asafoetida (S. No. 31/V), Cumin Seeds and medicinal herbs from Afghanistan.

No. 20-ITC(PN)Y64.—Attention is invited to the Ministry of International Trade Public Notice No. 11-ITC(PN)/64, dated 20th February, 1964, according to which imports of fruits (dried and fresh) falling under S. No. 21 (a)/IV and Asafoetida falling under S. No. 31/V, Cumin seeds and Medicinal herbs are to be allowed from Afghanistan through "approved importers" on an ad-hoc basis.

2. It has been decided that in addition to the "approved importers" referred to in para 3 of the Public Notice mentioned above, "New Comers" who undertake to export non-traditional items to Afghanistan within a period of eight months i.e., from 1st February, 1964 to 30th September, 1964, should also be permitted to import, within a specified monetary ceiling, fruits etc., detailed above from Afghanistan for value equal to the value of their exports. For this purpose, cotton textiles, tea, art silk goods, woollen goods, imitation zari goods, leather and rubber goods and motor parts will not be treated as non-traditional items of export to Afghanistan.

3. Firms intending to export non-traditional items of goods to Afghanistan during the period from 1st February, 1964, to 30th September, 1964, should, therefore, apply for registration as "New Comer" importer from Afghanistan to the Joint Chief Controller of Imports and Exports, Central Licensing Area, New Delhi or the Joint Chief Controller of Imports and Exports, Bombay as the case may be, giving the following particulars:—

- (1) Name and address of the firm.
- (2) Name of Proprietor(s), Directors etc.
- (3) Name of the branches, if any, and addresses thereof.

- (4) Statement of actual exports of non-traditional goods to Afghanistan during the past, if any.
- (5) In case the applicant has been exporting goods to Afghanistan, the number of the EP or EPI licence issued by the Reserve Bank of India.

The information at (2)—(5) should be furnished on affidavits. Applications for registration should reach the licensing authorities on or before 31st March, 1964.

Firms who are already registered as 'New Comer' importer from Afghanistan in Items of Public Notice No. 90-ITC(PN)/59, dated 30th September, 1959, No. 108-ITC(PN)/60, dated 12th September, 1960, and Public Notice No. 143-ITC(PN)/62, dated 18th October, 1962, need not apply for fresh registration and they can apply for permits after effecting exports of non-traditional goods to Afghanistan in terms of this Public Notice.

5. Permits under this Public Notice will not be granted to the firms on an advance basis but the same will be issued for a value equal to the value of their non-traditional exports to Afghanistan *only after* despatch of goods from Afghanistan i.e., on the same basis on which permits are issued to approved importers. The 'New Comer' firms should, therefore, after exporting non-traditional goods to Afghanistan, arrange for import of goods from that country for a value equal to the value of their exports and then apply to the licensing authorities for issue of permits along with the documents specified in para 4 of the Public Notice No. 11-ITC(PN)/64, dated 20th February, 1964. Necessary export documents must also accompany the application for permits.

6. The 'New Comer' firms will submit by the tenth day of every month a statement to the licensing authorities concerned showing, in respect of the preceding month, the details of actual exports effected to Afghanistan and imports effected there against with progressive totals

P. SABANAYAGAM,
Chief Controller of Imports and Exports.